

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It will next meet on Tuesday, February 22, 2000 at 11 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

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Bills Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 3655–3667; 1 private bill, H.R. 3668; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 250–251, were introduced. **Page H454**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:
H. Res. 423, providing for consideration of H.R. 2366, to provide small businesses certain protections from litigation excesses and to limit the product liability of nonmanufacturer product sellers (H. Rept. 106–498). **Pages H453–54**

Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of February 14 by a recorded vote of 375 ayes to 33 noes with 2 voting "present," Roll No. 21. **Pages H378–79, H413–14**

Recess: the House recessed at 9:57 a.m. and reconvened at 11 a.m. **Page H378**

Private Calendar: Agreed to dispense with the call of the Private Calendar for today. **Page H379**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

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Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 3432, to direct the Minerals Management Service to grant the State of Louisiana and its lessees a credit in the payment of Federal offshore royalties to satisfy the authorization for compensation contained in the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 for oil and gas drainage in the West Delta field. Testimony was heard from Walt Rosenbusch, Director, Minerals Management Service,

Department of the Interior; Jack C. Caldwell, Secretary, Department of Natural Resources, State of Louisiana; and a public witness.

OVERSIGHT—FUNDING OF ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on the Funding of Environmental Initiatives and Their Impacts on Local Communities. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESS LIABILITY REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule, providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 2366, Small Business Liability Reform Act of 2000, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule makes in order the Committee on the Judiciary amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that the amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Rogan, Conyers, Scott, Berman, Watt of North Carolina, Lofgren, and Jackson-Lee.

The Committee also approved the Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

U.S. AND GREAT BRITAIN—AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS BREAKDOWN

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on the Recent Breakdown of Aviation Negotiations Between the United States and the United Kingdom. Testimony was heard from Rodney E. Slater, Secretary of Transportation; and public witnesses.

CERTAIN EPA'S PROPOSED REGULATIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment concluded hearings on the EPA's Proposed Regulations Regarding Total Maximum Daily Loads, the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, and the Federal Anti-Degradation Policy. Testimony was heard from Jim Lyons, Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA; and public witnesses.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS—SENIORS' ACCESS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Seniors' Access to Prescription Drug Benefits. Testimony was heard from David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; and public witnesses.

SOCIAL SECURITY WORK INCENTIVES IMPROVEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on improving Social Security Work Incentives. Testimony was heard from Representatives Sam Johnson of Texas and Peterson of Minnesota; Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner, SSA; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Agriculture, to consider the following: H.R. 3615, Rural Local Broadcast Signal Act; and the Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on the Secretary of Agriculture, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on Military Readiness, 9:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, oversight on the Forest Service and on the National Association of Public Administration, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on the National Institute on Aging and the National Center for Research Resources, 10 a.m., and

on the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and the National Institute of Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, on the Quality of Life, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, joint hearing on ballistic missile defense programs, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, to consider Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 2:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on Merging the Deposit Insurance Funds, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on Preliminary Analysis of the Administration's Fiscal Year 2001 Budget, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on Seniors' Access to Affordable Prescription Drugs: Models for Reform, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Video on the Internet: iCraveTV.com and Other Recent Developments in Webcasting, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3222, Literacy Involves Families Together Act; and H.R. 3616, Impact Aid Reauthorization Act of 2000, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations, hearing on Defense Security Service Oversight, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on the Administration's Fiscal Year 2001 International Affairs Budget Request, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on Indonesia: Confronting the Political and Economic Crises, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, February 15, to continue consideration of the following: Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; and H.R. 1443, Traffic Stops Statistics Study Act of 1999; and to consider the following: H.R. 1283, Fairness in Asbestos Compensation Act of 1999; and H.R. 2372, Private Property Rights Implementation Act of 1999, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to mark up the following bills: S. 613, Indian Tribal Economic Development and Con-

tract Encouragement Act of 1999; H.R. 1680, to provide for the conveyance of Forest Service property in Kern County, California, in exchange for county lands suitable for inclusion in Sequoia National Forest; H.R. 1749, to designate Wilson Creek in Avery and Caldwell Counties, North Carolina, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers Systems; H.R. 2484, to provide that land which is owned by the Lower Sioux Indian Community in the State of Minnesota but which is not held in trust by the United States for the Community may be leased or transferred by the Community without further approval by the United States; and the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Programs Improvement Act of 2000, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, hearing on Biennial Budgeting: A Tool for Improving Government Fiscal Management and Oversight, 10:30 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Basic Research, hearing on National Science Foundation Fiscal Year 2001 Budget Authorization Request, Part I: Research and Related Activities and Major Research Equipment, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on Fiscal Year 2001 NASA Authorization, NASA Posture, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on Association Health Plans, and to consider the Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to consider the following: Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; Corps of Engineers Survey Resolutions; and other pending business, 1 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Emergency Management, hearing on Flood Water Rescue, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to consider Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 10 a.m., and to hold a hearing on the U.S.-China Bilateral Trade Agreement and the Accession of China to the WTO, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Social Security, to mark up H.R. 5, Senior Citizens' Freedom to Work Act of 1999, 4 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, hearing on the State of Counterintelligence at the Department of Energy and Its Three Key Nuclear Weapons Laboratories, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11 a.m., Tuesday, February 22

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, February 16

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senator Moynihan will read Washington's Farewell Address; following which, there will be a period of morning business (not to extend beyond 12:30 p.m.).

At 2:15 p.m., Senate will consider any cleared executive or legislative business.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 1714, Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act. (motion to go to conference); and

Consideration of H.R. 2366, Small Business Liability Reform Act of 2000 (structured rule, one hour of debate)

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Will continue tomorrow.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 3432, to direct the Minerals Management Service to grant the State of Louisiana and its lessees a credit in the payment of Federal offshore royalties to satisfy the authorization for compensation contained in the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 for oil and gas drainage in the West Delta field. Testimony was heard from Walt Rosenbusch, Director, Minerals Management Service,

Department of the Interior; Jack C. Caldwell, Secretary, Department of Natural Resources, State of Louisiana; and a public witness.

OVERSIGHT—FUNDING OF ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on the Funding of Environmental Initiatives and Their Impacts on Local Communities. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SMALL BUSINESS LIABILITY REFORM ACT

Committee on Rules: The Committee granted, by voice vote, a structured rule, providing one hour of general debate on H.R. 2366, Small Business Liability Reform Act of 2000, equally divided between the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule makes in order the Committee on the Judiciary amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that the amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule permits the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Rogan, Conyers, Scott, Berman, Watt of North Carolina, Lofgren, and Jackson-Lee.

The Committee also approved the Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

U.S. AND GREAT BRITAIN—AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS BREAKDOWN

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on the Recent Breakdown of Aviation Negotiations Between the United States and the United Kingdom. Testimony was heard from Rodney E. Slater, Secretary of Transportation; and public witnesses.

CERTAIN EPA'S PROPOSED REGULATIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment concluded hearings on the EPA's Proposed Regulations Regarding Total Maximum Daily Loads, the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, and the Federal Anti-Degradation Policy. Testimony was heard from Jim Lyons, Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment, USDA; and public witnesses.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS—SENIORS' ACCESS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Seniors' Access to Prescription Drug Benefits. Testimony was heard from David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; and public witnesses.

SOCIAL SECURITY WORK INCENTIVES IMPROVEMENTS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on improving Social Security Work Incentives. Testimony was heard from Representatives Sam Johnson of Texas and Peterson of Minnesota; Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner, SSA; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to consider pending business.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Agriculture, to consider the following: H.R. 3615, Rural Local Broadcast Signal Act; and the Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on the Secretary of Agriculture, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on Military Readiness, 9:30 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, oversight on the Forest Service and on the National Association of Public Administration, 10 a.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on the National Institute on Aging and the National Center for Research Resources, 10 a.m., and

on the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and the National Institute of Deafness and Other Communication Disorders, 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, on the Quality of Life, 9:30 a.m., B-300 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Military Procurement and the Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, joint hearing on ballistic missile defense programs, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, to consider Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 2:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing on Merging the Deposit Insurance Funds, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on Preliminary Analysis of the Administration's Fiscal Year 2001 Budget, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on Seniors' Access to Affordable Prescription Drugs: Models for Reform, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Video on the Internet: iCraveTV.com and Other Recent Developments in Webcasting, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3222, Literacy Involves Families Together Act; and H.R. 3616, Impact Aid Reauthorization Act of 2000, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations, hearing on Defense Security Service Oversight, 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on the Administration's Fiscal Year 2001 International Affairs Budget Request, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing on Indonesia: Confronting the Political and Economic Crises, 1:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, February 15, to continue consideration of the following: Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; and H.R. 1443, Traffic Stops Statistics Study Act of 1999; and to consider the following: H.R. 1283, Fairness in Asbestos Compensation Act of 1999; and H.R. 2372, Private Property Rights Implementation Act of 1999, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to mark up the following bills: S. 613, Indian Tribal Economic Development and Con-

tract Encouragement Act of 1999; H.R. 1680, to provide for the conveyance of Forest Service property in Kern County, California, in exchange for county lands suitable for inclusion in Sequoia National Forest; H.R. 1749, to designate Wilson Creek in Avery and Caldwell Counties, North Carolina, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers Systems; H.R. 2484, to provide that land which is owned by the Lower Sioux Indian Community in the State of Minnesota but which is not held in trust by the United States for the Community may be leased or transferred by the Community without further approval by the United States; and the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Programs Improvement Act of 2000, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, hearing on Biennial Budgeting: A Tool for Improving Government Fiscal Management and Oversight, 10:30 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Basic Research, hearing on National Science Foundation Fiscal Year 2001 Budget Authorization Request, Part I: Research and Related Activities and Major Research Equipment, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on Fiscal Year 2001 NASA Authorization, NASA Posture, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on Association Health Plans, and to consider the Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to consider the following: Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget; Corps of Engineers Survey Resolutions; and other pending business, 1 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Emergency Management, hearing on Flood Water Rescue, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to consider Committee Budget Views and Estimates for Fiscal Year 2001 for submission to the Committee on the Budget, 10 a.m., and to hold a hearing on the U.S.-China Bilateral Trade Agreement and the Accession of China to the WTO, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Social Security, to mark up H.R. 5, Senior Citizens' Freedom to Work Act of 1999, 4 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, hearing on the State of Counterintelligence at the Department of Energy and Its Three Key Nuclear Weapons Laboratories, 1 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11 a.m., Tuesday, February 22

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, February 16

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senator Moynihan will read Washington's Farewell Address; following which, there will be a period of morning business (not to extend beyond 12:30 p.m.).

At 2:15 p.m., Senate will consider any cleared executive or legislative business.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 1714, Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act. (motion to go to conference); and

Consideration of H.R. 2366, Small Business Liability Reform Act of 2000 (structured rule, one hour of debate)

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